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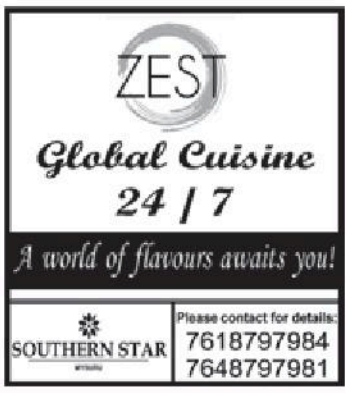


COVID-19 clampdown: City tourism hit hard

Hotel bookings come down to all time low; tour cancellations peak

The gates of Mysore Palace have been closed for visitors this morning.

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (MTY&BCT)- Amidst the challenge of curbing the Novel Coronavirus pandemic and the Government's order on Friday to close down places of commerce like malls, theatres and social assembly for a week to prevent COVID-19 from spreading, the city tourism economy has taken a hit with no takers for tours and travels — local, national and international.

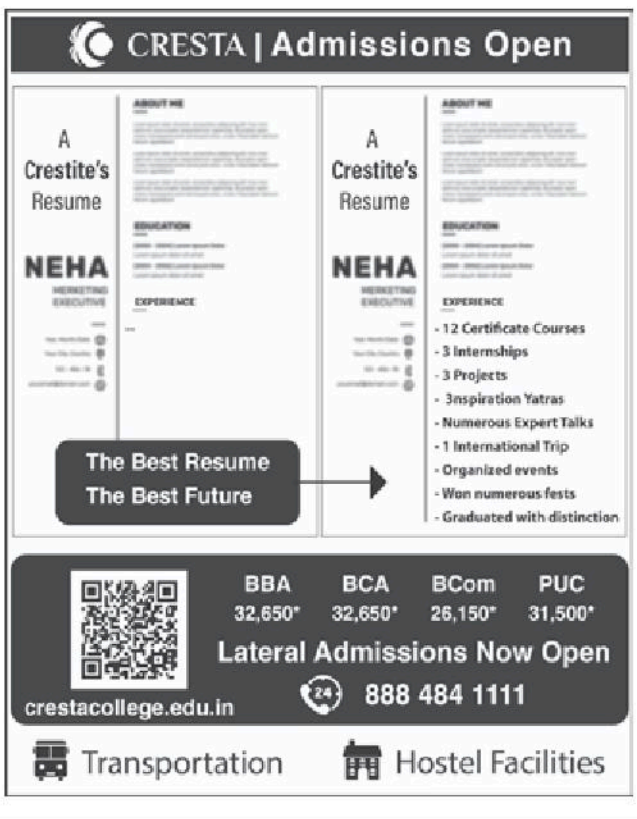
The city's purchase power too has been affected as places of commercial interests have been closed down. With economy-driving establishments closed for a week, daily wage workers who work at malls, theatres, choultries, pubs and places of social gatherings are staring at hungry days with no income and no alternative place of work. Tourism Stakeholders say that the city is losing Rs. 50 crore per day including revenue from Palace, Zoo, tours and travel and 80 percent of tourism has been affected.

The worst affected in Mysuru are tours and travel agencies who are already reeling from the impact of COVID-19. Many of the smaller agencies, who are finding it difficult to operate, are considering shutting down operations temporarily, relieving their contractual and temporary staff. The tourism-dependent people too are out of jobs in peak tourism season from March till June.

"We do not know how long this situation will persist and cannot foresee when things will improve. More than travelling to a place where there are no infected cases, people may be at risk during the journey itself and as such they are scared," said C.A. Jayakumar of Travel Parkz. Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, he said that the virus has paralysed the tourism industry.

"From Rs. 50 crore earning per day, we have come down to Rs. 2 crore or Rs. 3 crore. Fear of the virus, the actual cases of death and people testing positive every day, posts on social media all have contributed to the loss," he said and added that if the same situation continues, Dasara too will be affected as people will think twice to travel.

(See TOURISM on page 8)



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Lions Club holds mega health camp

Mysuru, Mar.15- The Lions Club International Dist.317/A in association with Lions Club of Siri, Spandana, Lio, VVS Trust and Narayana Hrudayalaya, Bhagavan Mahaveera Darshan Eye Hospital, JSS Ayurveda Hospital and Pralaksha Hospital had organised a mega health camp at Beerihundi Village Panchayat recently.

The camp, organised to mark the 50th birthday of Dr. Ln. Nagaraj V. Bairy, Governor of Lions District, included eye check-up, heart check-up and orthopaedic consultation free of cost to all those who took part.

Zilla Panchayat member from Beerihundi Basavanna inaugurated the health camp. Gram Panchayat President Basavegowda, Ln. Jayaramu, Ln.Mallappagowda, Lions Club of Siri and Spandana President Ln. Siri Balu, Secretary Ln.Shivashankar, Ln.Puttaraju, Ln.Shoba Siri Balu, Shankar Raj, Sridhar, other Directors of the Club, VVST office-bearers and Directors were present on the occasion.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Not so long ago, politics was something that happened at election time. A group of professionals called politicians, who represented different political parties, stood for election and people voted for one or other of them, according to their choice. When people got together they talked and exchanged views on all sorts of things: the chances of India winning the Test against Australia; the difficulty of getting children admitted into a good school; the last holiday they'd been on; the state of their health, and who was a reliable GP to go to if one felt under the weather.

We friend and unfriend people because of politics, and politics can even divide families. Politics has begun to permeate almost everything we do. What we eat, or don't eat, has become political. The way we dress, particularly if we happen to be women, has not just political undertones but overtones. The books we read, the TV channels we watch, the films we go to see, the religious faith, or lack of it, that we profess are all political acts.

Politics is no longer just about elections, about whom we vote for, who wins or loses. Politics is the staple of daily life. Politics isn't any more the business of professional politicians who belong to different parties. We're all honorary politicians, party to politics, 365 days of the year.

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man tattoos entire body blue to boost self-confidence !

Scarborough: A young Canadian man who tattooed most of his body, including his face, hands and legs bright blue, claims that the "whimsical element" has really helped him enjoy his life way more than before. Donnie Snider, a former forklift driver from Scarborough, in Canada's Ontario region, started permanently coloring his body blue three years ago and is now almost completely Smurf-like in color. It all started when he asked his sister to tattoo a part of his leg and foot with the bright blue hue; he liked it so much that he kept on turning part of his body blue, partly because of the psychological impact he experienced. If before he felt trapped by conformity and had a "lack of confidence", the permanent makeover really gave him a big boost.

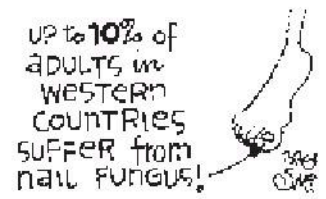
Battery-powered Pig defecation triggers fire

England: Firefighters in England were called to "save the bacon" after a pig sparked a fire in its pen by swallowing a pedometer which then combusted "after nature had taken its course," officials said.

Fire crews responded to the 800-square-foot (75 square meters) blaze at four pig pens on a farm near Bramham, Leeds, around 1:30 p.m., the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service said. Firefighters believed that copper from the pedometer's batteries reacted with the pig's excrement and dry hay to ignite the fire. The pedometers, gadgets that measure the number of steps its wearer takes, were worn by the pigs to prove they were free-range, the fire service said. No animals or humans were hurt in the fire.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What causes nail fungus?



One cause of nail fungus is an imbalance of good and bad bacteria in the body. The resulting imbalance may cause yeast and bacteria to show up on your nails. Vaginal yeast infections can be another result. The technical term for nail fungus in Onychomycosis.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

MoU to enhance skill and employability of students

Mysuru, Mar. 15- The MBA Department of GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW), Mysuru, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Edin Synergy, Mysuru, on Mar. 6 at GSSSIETW Campus here.

The MoU was signed by Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW, Mysuru and H.R. Prathap, Managing Director, Edin Synergy, Mysuru. R.K. Bharath, Member & CEO, GSSS, Ashok Shenoi, Member & Administrative Coordinator, GSSS, Dr. D.R. Rajashekhara Swamy, HoD, GSSSIETW, Department of MBA, and faculty members of HR Department were also present.

The objective of MoU is to establish mutually beneficial platform with the aim of enhancing knowledge, skill and employability of students and staff of GSSSIETW, Department of MBA on one hand and Edin Synergy on the other.

The MoU is focused mainly on the field of Human Resource Management on areas such as faculty development programmes, student workshops, conferences, certification courses, technical talks by industrial experts, industrial interactions, inter-collegiate events and many more skill development activities, according to a press release from B.U. Shamanth Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of MBA, GSSSIETW.

Really...?

- ***In 2.3 billion years it will be too hot for life to exist on Earth: Over the coming hundreds of millions of years, the Sun will continue to get progressively brighter and hotter. In just over 2 billion years, temperatures will be high enough to evaporate our oceans, making life on Earth impossible. Our planet will become a vast desert similar to Mars today. As it expands into a red giant in the following few billion years, scientists predict that the Sun will finally engulf Earth altogether, spelling the definite end for our planet.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A 40-year-old man asked the Trainer in the Gym: "I want to impress my wife, so which Machine should I use?"
Trainer replied: "Outside the Gym, there is an ATM, try that ?!"

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.96
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 90.75
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.14
1 Euro	= Rs. 82.42

VOICE OF THE READER

'Star Punch' speaks volumes about the game of politics

Sir,

The ***Star Punch*** by Cartoonist Satish Acharya *(SOM* dated Mar.12) speaks volumes about the game of politics in this country. Leaders discarded by one party gets red carpet welcome by the other. The century-old Congress party, battered by two successive Parliament election losses, appears to have not learnt any lessons resulting in loyal and dedicated party workers quitting in disgust.

The Congress party is in deep pit struggling to extricate itself! Inner party democracy has been hijacked by the self-seeking, short-sighted parochial 'leaders' in the name of 'High Command.' The party has been mortgaged to one family which has lost its sheen and is unable to provide effective leadership.

To arrest further decline, Senior Congress leaders need to come out of their shells, speak the truth, muster courage and elect a popular youngster to head the party sans present leadership. This process should be effected at every level — Gram Panchayat to State-level. Entrust such leaders to build and strengthen the party from grassroot levels. Sycophants need to be kept out!

This exercise may take some time, yet, revival of the party is important and possible. Failing which Congress may not be able to withstand the onslaught of mights like Modi and Amit Shah.

—MRG Murthy

Siddarthanagar
13.3.2020

Tree-man of Mysuru

Sir,

Kudos to Pharmacist N. Raghavan of *Raghulal and Co.,* for his self-less yeoman service to ensure we have a green cover in Mysuru, over a period of time. *(SOM* dated Mar. 11).

Many organisations in Mysuru plant trees on Environment Day or some other days and pose for photos and then they conveniently forget the trees planted by them. But Raghavan is definitely an exemption — he plants the trees, provides tree guards and also nurtures the trees planted by him and by others also by providing water.

He has planted thousands of trees and provided more than 15,000 Tree Guards spending funds from his own resources. This service will help future generations to have an eco-friendly Mysuru city to live in.

—K. Chandrahas

Mysuru
13.3.2020

Micro-loan: Calling Sthree Shakti groups

Mysuru, Mar. 15- Karnataka State Women's Development Corporation has invited applications from Sthree Shakti groups to provide micro loans. Under this scheme, each unit of Sthree Shakti groups belonging to SC community can get a maximum of Rs. 2 lakh loan (interest-free).

Last date to apply is Mar. 23. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2495432 or 2498031.

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Winners of 'Ideathon - 2020'

Seen are** (sitting from left)* ***Raina, Prof. D.G. Rao, Director, CIIL, Dr. Mallikarjun Aradhya, President, IIC - JSS S&TU and A.P. Skanda;** (standing from left)* ***Dr. B.S. Harish, Convener, IIC - JSS S&TU, Amitkumar, C.R. Kiran, B.M. Navyashree and K.O. Praphul.

Mysuru, Mar. 15- Institution Innovation Council (IIC) of JSS Science and Technology University (JSS S&TU) had organised 'Ideathon 2.0 - 2020 Series' recently to commemorate National Science Day.

Prof. D.G Rao, Director of Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), was the chief guest. Prof. Mallikarjun Aradhya, President, IIC - JSS S&TU, presided over the programme.

Dr. B.S. Harish, Convener, IIC and A.P. Skanda and Raina Jacob, Student Coordinators and other distinguished dignitaries were present.

The event began by invoking the blessings of Lord Ganesha. S. Charan, Student Coordinator of IIC, welcomed the gathering and briefed about IIC and its vision of developing a vibrant local ecosystem to encourage and support innovative ideas.

Later on, Samanvitha, core team member of IIC, further highlighted the significance of National Science Day.

Lavita Dsouza, Student Coordinator of IIC, apprised the gathering about the value of ideas and unravelled the motivation behind organising Ideathon 2020.

The Council received around 50 Novel Ideas from the students of different Departments.

Prizes for Ideathon were announced and three ideas were chosen out of nine shortlisted by the jury.

First Prize was awarded to 'Team Kalam' by Amitkumar, L. Vinay and B.M. Navyashree. The team proposed a mechanism of establishing electrical contact between moving mechanical part and static electrical part with reduced frictional loss and thus increasing efficiency of motor and thereby reducing wastage of energy. The team was awarded with a cash prize of Rs.9,000 and a Certificate of Appreciation.

Second Prize went to K.O. Praphul who proposed Raitha 1.0. The main idea is to propose Artificial Intelligence technology on to IOT device to achieve precision agriculture. He received a cash prize of Rs.6,000 and a Certificate of Appreciation.

Third Prize was given to team 'Safire' by J. Gautami, Bhagyavan and C.R. Kiran. The team formulated an idea to avoid back flow of blood in drippers that causes many serious problems in medical field. They received Rs.3,000 cash prize and a Certificate of Appreciation.

Finally, Dr. B.S. Harish, Convener, IIC, proposed a vote of thanks.

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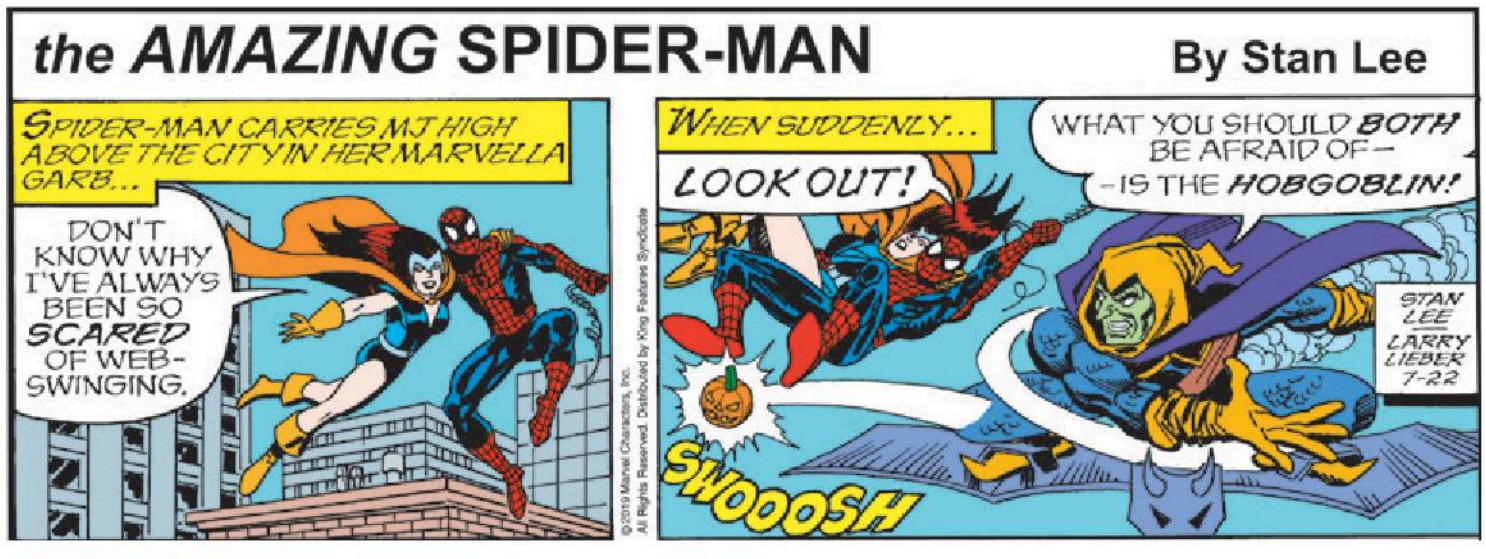
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NEWS BRIEFS

Weekend play at Rangayana cancelled

Following the Government order cancelling all public and private mass gatherings and programmes to halt the spread of COVID-19, the city's theatre repertory Rangayana has cancelled its weekend play 'Gandhi Vs Gandhi' which was scheduled to be performed this evening (Mar.15). Also, the Rangayana has cancelled all its other theatre programmes for a week, according to a press release.

Science interaction

The Committee for the Development of Science in Schools (CDSS), University of Mysore (UoM), had recently recorded an interaction between experts and select High School students on Science topics at Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri. This recorded video will be telecast in Doordarshan's Chandana Kannada Channel at 8.30 pm on all days from Mar.16 to 20. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2419097.

'Vidwat Sammana' event postponed

Following the Government's announcement of a partial lockdown to prevent the spread of the deadly Coronavirus, the city's Veda Shastra Poshini Sabha has postponed its 'Vidwat Samman' programme that was scheduled to take place at Sri Nadabramha Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road at 4.30 pm on Mar.18, according to a press release. For details, contact Mob: 94800-57071 or 94487-07706.

Appointed Notary

City advocate M.K. Sathish of Mandi Mohalla has been appointed as a Notary by the Government of India and is authorised to practice as a Notary throughout Mysuru district for a period of five years. Sathish is a resident of No. 647/2, Second Cross, Kamatageri, Irwin Road, Mandi Mohalla and can be contacted on Mob: 93421-26049, according to a press release.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	110.28 ft
Yesterday	110.57 ft
Inflow	214 cusecs
Outflow	2,181 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,273.93 ft
Inflow	122 cusecs
Outflow	750 cusecs

Sri Lakshmi Devi Jatra held with grandeur at Rammanahalli

Mysuru, Mar.15 (MK&DM)-The popular Sri Lakshmi Devi Jatra Mahotsava and Maramma Festival were held with grandeur at Rammanahalli in the taluk yesterday. The Jatra is held once in three years.

As part of the Jatra, a grand procession of the presiding deity was taken out in the main lanes of Rammanahalli. Hundreds of people from Hanchya, Sathagalli and other neighbouring villages took part in the procession, which was accompanied by folk troupes. The procession went around Maramma Temple in the village.

Today (Mar.15), women and children get their mouth pierced as per the tradition that is being followed for years, following which the Temple Chief Priest will be handed over 'Karaga' and the associated rituals will be performed.

Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda who took part in the Jatra was felicitated on the occasion. MCDCC Bank President G.D. Harish Gowda, Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Member Dinesh, Rammanahalli Gram Panchayat (GP) President Nagaraj and others were present.

Spreading false news on Coronavirus

College student arrested, released on Station Bail

Pandavapura, Mar. 15 (KS)- Close on the heels of Chamarajanagar Police arresting two persons and sending them to jail for spreading false messages that a boy from Gundlupet and a girl from Nanjangud had tested positive for Coronavirus, Pandavapura Police have arrested a college student for spreading a false message that his classmate has Coronavirus and have released him on Station Bail.

The student, who was arrested and released by the Police, is B.P. Dileep, a resident of Bevinakuppe village.

Dileep had allegedly uploaded the false message in the form of news being telecast on a TV channel on a social media platform that a student of the college had contracted Coronavirus by editing the photo.

Taluk Health Officer (THO) Dr. Aravind, who saw the false news at about 3 pm yesterday, went to the college and enquired the student, whose photo was uploaded along with the message that the student had contracted Coronavirus. The student who told the THO that he was hale and healthy, said that his friend had uploaded his photo with the false news about him being contracted with Coronavirus and added that after he scolded his friend, he had deleted the post.

Based on the complaint by the THO, Pandavapura Police Inspector Ravindra, who had registered a case, arrested Dileep and released him on Station Bail, said Mandya District Superintendent of Police Parashuram.

Continuing, the SP said that Dileep, using a mobile app, had edited the photo and had created a post making it look like a news channel telecasting the news that the student had contracted Coronavirus and had uploaded the same as his (Dileep) *WhatsApp* status and deleted the post only after the student called him over the phone and scolded him.

He further said that a case under IPC Section 469, 501(1)(B) has been registered against the student who has been released and added that no case has been confirmed for Coronavirus in Mandya district.

The SP has urged the public not to panic as it was a false news.

Tractor driver goes missing

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (KS)- A 34-year-old tractor driver, who left his house on Mar. 13 for work, has since gone missing.

Krishnamurthy

The missing person is G. Krishnamurthy, a resident of Giridarshini Layout.

Those having any information about Krishnamurthy, may contact Alanahalli Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418311 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Obituary

Madevamma

Mysuru, Mar.15- Madevamma (81), mother of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar District Vokkaliga Association President G. Manju and a resident of Vidyaranyapuram, passed away yesterday at her residence.

She leaves behind two sons and a daughter.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this noon.

Mysuru Zoo, Palace shut

Karanji Lake too closed down

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (MTY&DM)- As a precautionary measure to contain the COVID-19 spread, the Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) has ordered shut down of Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens (Mysuru Zoo) and Karanji Lake Nature Park in city for nine days from today (Mar.15) till Mar.23. The ZAK Has also ordered closure of Bannerghatta National Park at Bengaluru and Zoos at Shivamogga, Gadag, Chitradurga, Belagavi, Kalaburagi, Hampi and Anagodu.

Mysuru Zoo Director Ajit M. Kulkarni said that the Zoo and Karanji Lake Nature Park will remain closed till Mar.23 as per the direction from the Forest Minister and the order of the Member-Secretary, ZAK, Mysuru.

The Mysuru Zoo is being shut for the second time in its 127-year history. The Zoo was closed for visitors for the first time three years ago in January 2017 for a month due to Bird Flu scare then.

Palace to be shut till Mar.22: Following the Novel Coronavirus scare, Mysore Palace will be shut for visitors from today (Mar.15) till Mar.22.

Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar, who is also the Executive Officer of Mysore Palace Board, in a press release, said that the Palace will be closed for tourists till Mar.22, starting from Sunday, in view of maintaining public health and safety.

Tourist sites in Kodagu closed from today

Madikeri, Mar. 15- The Coronavirus scare which has badly affected tourism in Kodagu district, just like elsewhere, has taken a further hit with the Kodagu District Administration, following a Government directive, has ordered shut down of all major tourist destinations in the district for a week.

The Raja's Seat, one of the prime attractions in Madikeri, was shut for visitors from Saturday itself. A notice board was put up in front of the gate saying it has been closed.

This is perhaps the first time in many years that this prime tourist destination in Madikeri was closed for visitors.

The Raja's Seat was not closed even during the 2018 and 2019 floods, although there were only a few visitors.

DFO Prabhakaran said that the Dubare Elephant camp and Kaveri Nisargadhama near Kushalnagar have been shut from Mar.13 itself due to Coronavirus scare. The two tourist spots will be closed until further orders, he pointed out.

Kodagu Tourism Assistant Director Raghavendra said that all major tourist spots in the district will remain closed for a week from Sunday (Mar.15). The decision will be reviewed based on the situation after one week, he added.

The other popular destinations in the district that are shut for a week from today, include Abbey Falls, Iruppu Falls, Mandalpatti, Chelavara Falls, Tadiandamol and Mallalli Falls.

No Comments... No Comments...

Sale of masks, sanitizers at exorbitant prices

Four medical stores fined Rs. 20,000

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (RK&KS)- Drug Controllers have imposed a fine of Rs. 20,000 on four medical stores which were selling masks and sanitizers above the Maximum Retail Price (MRP) and cases have been registered against the owners of the four medical stores yesterday.

A team of officials, who inspected 20 medical stores in city found four medical stores selling the masks and sanitizers at higher prices following which cases were registered against the owners of four medical stores under Legal Metrology Rules.

Legal Metrology Department Assistant Controller K.M. Mahadevaswamy, Inspector B.S. Sumarani, Assistant Drug Controller S. Nagaraj, Nazia and staff were present during the inspection.

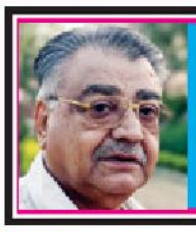
Final exams from 7th to 9th standard postponed

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (MTY&KS)- Following Coronavirus scare, the Department of Public Instruction that had cancelled the final exams from LKG to 6th standard earlier, has now postponed the final exams from 7th to 9th standard till Mar. 31 and the students have been given study holidays.

The new time-table would be announced shortly, according to the notification.

However, the final exams of 10th standard remains unchanged and would be held as announced earlier.

The students are urged to attend their 10th exams as per the earlier time table.



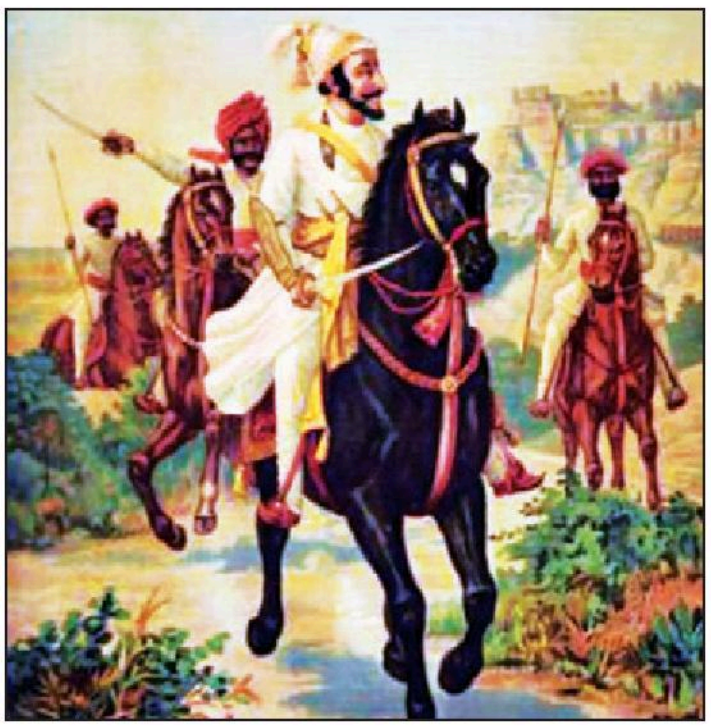
Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Remembering Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj – 7

Maratha army united in personal devotion to Shivaji. Of sorcery and black magic !

[Continued from Mar. 12]



The sack of Surat deeply mortified Emperor Aurangzeb. While Aurangzeb was brooding about what had happened in Surat, reports came that his son Prince Muazzam had clumsily marched against Shivaji with his forces but was repulsed by Shivaji. But during the monsoon of 1664, Shivaji simply captured a number of Mughal territories. Apparently, monsoon was not a deterrent to the 'Mountain Rat' and the 'Master of Guerrilla Warfare' Shivaji.

In the meanwhile, Shivaji also ventured to build his own sea power to counter foreign merchants in Western coasts. According to history, there was only one important engagement between Maratha and English ships that took place on 18th October, 1679 in which Marathas captured the Island of Khanderi near Bombay from the English.

Emperor Aurangzeb was all the time thinking about taming the 'Mountain Rat' Shivaji. On his birthday, September 30, in the year 1664, he convened a Durbar and proclaimed the list of birthday honours to his courtiers and officers. The first of these honours went to **Raja Jai Singh, a Rajput Army Chief,** who was made the Mughal Commander of the army of the Deccan to fight against the Marathas in succession to his pleasure-loving and incompetent son Prince Muazzam.

One historian writes: This decision must have been infinitely disagreeable to Aurangzeb, the fanatic Musalman and a bigot to admit openly the utter failure of both his uncle Shayista Khan and his epicurean son Prince Muazzam and to appoint to their office a Hindu General Raja Jai Singh!

Raja Jai Singh belonged to a great Royal house of Jaipur, but like other Hindu Maharajas and Princes, he too had joined the services of the Mughal army. He was known for his extraordinary bravery of a legendary Rajput Knight. **No wonder it is said 'Courage is the only manly virtue for a Rajput.'** As a child, he was brought up on the ballads of heroic kings of his kingdom that reminded him of militant Hinduism and those martyred in war.

Raja Jai Singh was 60 years of age when Aurangzeb entrusted him the responsibility of reclaiming all the Mughal territories Shivaji had conquered. History says that Raja Jai Singh was a shrewd and cautious commander, a wise counsellor and a skilful diplomat, who could speak fluently in four languages. His name and presence had enhanced the power and prestige of the Mughal Court. According to some historians, it was on the allegiance of the Rajput clans that Akbar had based the stability of his empire. Apparently, Emperor Aurangzeb too had followed that tradition. It is said, Raja Jai Singh, with his Rajput's age-old traditions of an endless crusade against Islam and Musalman rulers, accepted this Commandant responsibility against a Hindu leader Shivaji with a heavy heart, perhaps only to honour his soldier's oath of allegiance made to Emperor Aurangzeb.

Before proceeding South, Raja Jai Singh demanded from the Emperor complete power, both civil and military, in the districts under his control. The Emperor should not allocate conquered territory from Shivaji to his courtiers and relatives as was the practice, was one of the conditions. When Emperor agreed to these and other conditions of Raja Jai Singh, he moved South with an army of Rajput clansmen and a strong contingent of Afghan Infantry under Afghan Chief Dilir Khan. As his Chief Officer of Artillery, Raja Jai Singh chose his card-game partner an Italian by name Manucci.

An interesting episode is recorded by one historian about this Italian Officer Manucci. Manucci wore a gown that was typical Musalman dress but wore his moustache that was typical of Rajputs. Since his appearance was half-Hindu and half-Muslim, they asked him what religion he really followed. When Manucci said frankly, "I am a Christian," they asked testily, "Yes, yes. But a Hindu-Christian or a Muhammadan-Christian?"

By the beginning of 1665, General Raja Jai Singh ordered immediate advance into Maratha territory. After a month he entered Pune reaching the Head Quarters of Prince Muazzam. While considering plans of the campaign Raja Jai Singh incited Bijapur Sultan to attack Shivaji in the rear and regain its lost territory and persuaded the son of Afzal Khan (remember him?) to revenge his father's death at the hands of Shivaji. Raja Jai Singh sent emissaries to all the coastal factories of European traders in the Western parts and even sent his Italian card-game partner friend and officer to bribe Shivaji's coastal jungle Chiefs! The Chiefs' leader Raja of Ramnagar sought a week's time and Manucci waited doing what he liked best — hunting and fishing.

Manucci discovered these forests and ravines were haunts of sorcery and magic. For those who do not believe in sorcery and black magic calling them as bunk, here is a real-life incident if you believe this Italian.

Manucci says that, a jungle Chieftain saw his horse, fell in love with it, coveted the horse which was given to Manucci by Raja Jai Singh and wanted to buy it. But Manucci refused to sell. The jungle Chief immediately put a spell upon the animal so that it could not move at all, but stood still and lifeless as a statue.

Only when Manucci agreed to sell it for three thousand rupees did the horse come to life again!

Another instance of black magic that Manucci saw with his own eyes. One of Manucci's servants was passing through a field of radishes. He stretched out his hand to pluck a radish and found that he could neither move the radish nor withdraw his stretched hand ! There he stayed in a frightened but ridiculous cramped posture bent over the radish ! Manucci saw his servant's awkward predicament, sought out the owner of the field and bribed him to release his servant. The owner came and whispered a few words over the radish and at once Manucci's servant found his hand was free again! Alleluia!

Be that as it may — a kind of present day *Ripley's Believe It or Not !* — the efforts of Raja Jai Singh's agents to bribe Shivaji's jungle Chief Officer failed, except for three who were not Marathas.

Soon Raja Jai Singh realised that the Maratha army was a compact force, united in personal devotion to one man — Shivaji.

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File I-T returns before Mar. 31

Mysuru, Mar. 15- With the insertion of new Section 234F under Income-Tax Act, 1961 it is levied a fee for delay in filing the Income-Tax (I-T) returns for the Assessment year 2019-20 (Financial Year 2018-19). Any person who is earning Salary, Pension or any other income, who have not filed their I-T returns for the Financial Year 2018-19, shall file by paying a fee of Rs.10,000 before 31.3.2020.

However, the fee payable is restricted to Rs.1,000 for small tax-payers whose total income of Rs.5 lakh is arrived after allowing all deductions.

Therefore, kindly file the Income Tax returns for the Financial Year 2018-19 on or before 31.3.2020, avoid losing last opportunity, according to a press release from N.D. Shreenivaas of Bhavani Associates, Mysuru.

City beautician bags award

Mysuru, Mar. 15- **Uma Jadav,** Celebrity Bridal Makeup Artist, Cosmos Makeup Studio, Mysuru, has received the "Indian Emerging Icon Award" on the occasion of World Women's Day from former Union Minister K.H. Muniyappa at Hotel Capital in Bengaluru.

The awards ceremony was organised by Nehru Yuva Kendra (Government of India), Suvarna Charitable Trust and Diya International Charitable Trust, Bengaluru.

Exam topper

Mysuru, Mar. 15- **S. Apoorva,** a third semester student of M.MASLP (Master in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology) course, JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing (JSSISH), University of Mysore, has topped the UGC-MOOCs SWAYAM Online Examination conducted by National Testing Agency, New Delhi.

Apoorva stood first among students of University of Mysore by securing 94 percent in the Exam held on Nov. 9, 2019, in the subject of Academic Writing.

Coronavirus scare: The day when Mysuru partially shut

Following the Government order to shut down malls, theatres, schools and colleges for a week amidst Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) scare, Mysuru closed down partially on the first day yesterday. Here are the glimpses of the city through the eyes of our cameraman.

Hostel inmates vacate rooms, head home

Students staying at various hostels run by the Government, private institutions and charity organisations leave their hostels as they have been directed by the hostel managements to vacate the rooms. There are over 150 student hostels run by Backward Classes and Minority Department, Social Welfare Department, University of Mysore, charity organisations and religious mutts. Only those students who have SSLC and PUC exams have been asked to stay. Strict instructions have been passed on to students who are staying at hostels to maintain personal hygiene.

Time to relax, under shade

Tiny tots sit under a tree of a school in city. Many private schools refused to close down despite the Government order and conducted classes yesterday. Now the DDPI has issued a warning that action will be taken against schools if they do not comply with the Government order.

— — — — — — — — — Sorry, gates are closed

Many summer camps that have been organised in city have been closed following the Government order. Photo shows a family returning home from the closed gates of a summer camp organised at the Scouts and Guides Grounds.

Busy road deserted

The usually busy road near the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner's Office sports a deserted look last morning as people preferred to stay indoors. Yesterday was a government holiday on account of second Saturday and also, the State Government had ordered certain public places to close.

A coolant in the absence of cinemas

A tender coconut vendor digs deep into his pocket to fetch change to give it to customers. With no malls, theatres and pubs, people took time to sip nutritious tender coconut. The vendor's cart near the BM Habitat Mall saw more than usual crowd yesterday.

Clearing stuff before closure

Perishable items like milk, curds, fruits and vegetables are placed outside a supermarket inside BM Habitat Mall at Jayalakshmipuram after the Government asked all malls to be closed. People thronged the place to buy their requirements as the doors of the supermarket remained locked. Even exotic vegetables and fruits that used to cost a bomb on any other day were sold at throwaway prices.

[Pics by: M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav]

Paramour kills woman; buries her in farmhouse

Four arrested, body exhumed

The accused leading the Police to the spot of crime.

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (PM&KS)- The Mysuru District Police have arrested four persons on charges of murdering a woman and burying her dead body.

The arrested are 38-year-old Mahesh, a construction worker from Alagud village in T. Narasipur taluk and currently residing at Kudalur village, Hanur taluk in Chamarajanagar, 34-year-old Soma, a labourer and a resident of Akkur Doddi village, T. Narasipur, 58-year-old Chowdaiah, a labourer residing at Hemmige village in T. Narasipur and 50-year-old Mahadeva, a labourer and a resident of Akkur Doddi.

Accused Mahesh and Soma were arrested on Mar.13 and were interrogated. Based on the information provided by the duo, the Police arrested Chowdaiah and Mahadeva on Mar.14.

Addressing the press conference at his office here this morning, Mysuru Superintendent of Police (SP) C.B. Ryshyanth said that accused Mahesh had illicit relationship with a woman, identified as Rajamma (42), whom he (Mahesh) had murdered at a farm house in Akkur Doddi village in Talakad Police limits. As Rajamma was missing, a missing complaint was lodged at Hanur Police Station.

Later, SP Ryshyanth, Additional SP (ASP) P.V. Sneha and Dy.SP Prabhakar Rao Shinde had formed a Special Police Team comprising T. Narasipur Circle Inspector M.R. Lava, Talakad Sub-Inspector (SI) B. Basavaraju and staff to trace the accused following which the Special Police Team arrested the accused Mahesh and Soma on Mar.13.

During interrogation, Mahesh is said to have told the Police that he had illicit relationship with Rajamma and as she was pestering him to stay with her, he (Mahesh) had killed her and had buried the body with the help of his accomplices and disclosed the names of others involved with him.

Mahesh had told the Police that he took Rajamma to the farm house being looked after by Soma, where he killed her. He had further stated that he along with others went to the farmhouse after 2-3 days and in a bid to destroy the evidence, buried the body of Rajamma with the help of his accomplices.

Based on the information provided by the accused, the Special Police Team arrested Chowdaiah and Mahadeva on Mar.14.

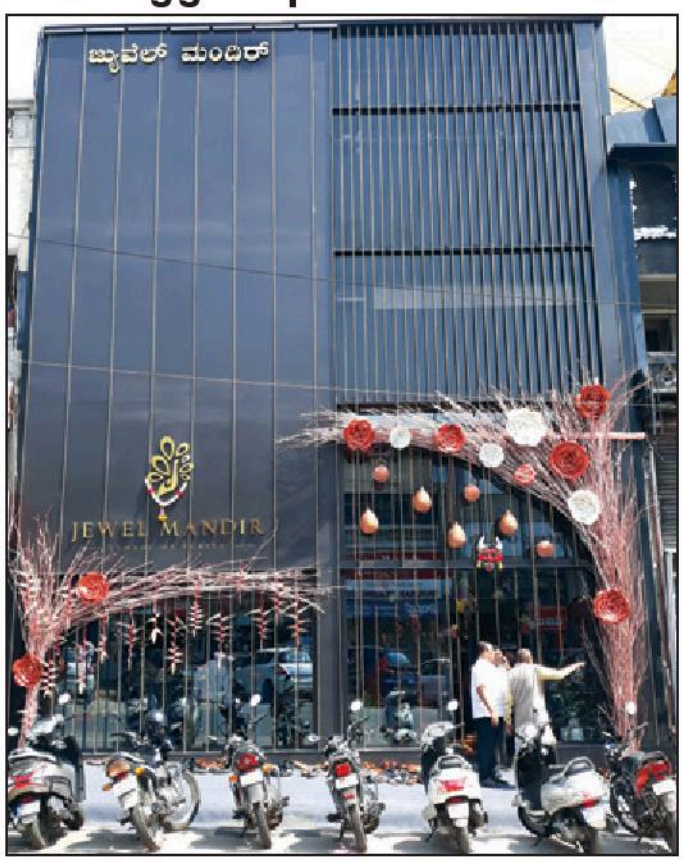
All the accused were taken to the spot of crime and also to the place where they had buried Rajamma for identification and the body of Rajamma was exhumed and post-mortem was conducted. The Police also seized the weapon (iron rod) used for the crime.

The SP said that all the accused were produced before a Court, which remanded Chowdaiah and Mahadeva to judicial custody and handed over Mahesh and Soma to Police custody for further interrogation.

T. Narasipur Circle Inspector M.R. Lava, Talakad SI B. Basavaraju, Probationary SI Hanamantha Uppar, ASIs Ramesh and Puttegowda, Head Constables Satish, Prabhakar, Sathyanarayan, Prakash and Siddaraju, Technical Cell's Vasanth Kumar, Constables Vinod Kumar, Vinay Kumar, Manjunath, Girish, Dayanand, Shivaswamy, Mahesh, C.N. Ismail, Somanayka and Mahadevu, took part in the nabbing operation.

Mysuru SP Ryshyanth has lauded the efforts of the Police team and has announced a cash prize for the team.

Jewel Mandir moves into bigger space on Urs Road



Mysuru, Mar. 15- Jewel Mandir, one of Mysuru's most contemporary jewellers, has shifted to a bigger space from today. They are now located at No. 41, D. Devaraj Urs Road, next to Anjaneya Temple. The spacious two-floor showroom has a total space of 1,800 sqft.

The showroom is a timeless jewellery destination which has a wide range of collection from gold, diamond, rubies, and emeralds, silver, platinum and coloured gold. With the distinction of being the trend-setters in jewellery design, Jewel Mandir, which has built a reputation over the last 15 years as one of Mysuru's foremost jewellers, has an exquisite jewellery collection in wedding, lightweight, designer and work-wear for women.

Jewel Mandir has a wide collection of semi-precious gemstones such as Agate, Amazonite, Amber, Amethyst, Black Onyx, Garnet, Jasper, Malachite, Peridot, Pietersite, Rainbow Moonstone, Tiger's Eye, Topaz and Turquoise.

COVID-19: SP warns rumour-mongers

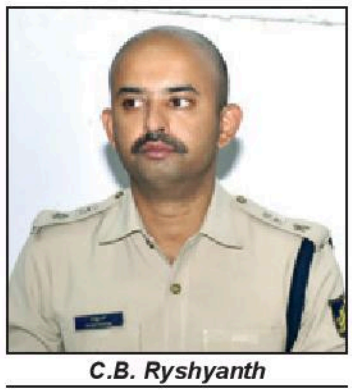
Mysuru, Mar.15 (PM)- With the Government promulgating a Law to curb rumour-mongering in the wake of COVID-19, SP C.B. Ryshyanth has warned those spreading fake news of serious action.

Addressing a press meet at this office in Nazarbad this morning, Ryshyanth said that he has come to know that a message asking citizens not to come in contact with Tibetans of Bylakuppe Tibetan Colony who have come from China Border has gone viral from a *WhatsApp* Group.

But this message is a fake one and no one need to be scared as Tibetans have been living in the Colony for decades.

Asking the people to ignore such fake messages, the SP warned of legal action against those indulging in spreading fake news in order to scare people in the name of Coronavirus.

Noting that it has come to light that a couple of persons from across the district have returned from abroad recently, the SP said that such persons have been quarantined and the people should not be unnecessarily scared about it.



C.B. Ryshyanth

He further said that the organisers of all fairs, shandies and other mass gatherings have been asked to postpone them and added that awareness programmes are being held across the district where people are being educating on certain simple measures to be followed in order to prevent the spread of Coronavirus.

COVID-19 clampdown: City tourism hit hard

(Continued from page 1)

"Mysuru's economy depends on tourism and it generates nearly 80,000 direct jobs and thousands of indirect jobs and occupations. We receive over 3.5 million tourists annually and the turnover is estimated to be around Rs. 2,000 crore. This is a bad scene now with 80 percent of the bookings cancelled and there are no bookings for April and May. The entire travel industry is hit hard," said B.S. Prashanth of Safe Wheels.

"The Mysuru Travel Agents Association has urged the State government to waive quarterly tax and also provide three months' grace period to repay bank EMIs on loan availed to purchase commercial tourist vehicles," he explained.

Another travel agent stated that he was considering temporarily closing his firm as he cannot afford to pay salaries to employees. "We have been receiving an average of 20 to 30 cancellations per day," he said and added that tourists are cancelling individual travel, group tours and family tours.

Mahendra Saliyan of Bharat International Travels said that 75 percent of car packages and air

travel has been hit. "400 people have cancelled their Europe trip and there are no takers for travel to Japan, China, Singapore, Malaysia, Spain, Italy and China, the epicentre.

Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda said that of the 9,500 hotel rooms in Mysuru under different categories – five star, three star and budget hotels, -- only 10 percent of the rooms are booked and are occupied. "Desperate to retain customers, hotel owners are offering 30 to 40 percent discount so that they are able to maintain the hotel," he said.

Ashta Bandhana consecration held at Belagola Srinivasa Kshetra

Mysuru, Mar. 15 - On the occasion of *Varshika Utsava, Ashta Bandhana Mahasamprokshana* Puja was performed under the aegis of Orissa Association Mysore at Srinivasa Kshetra, Belagola yesterday. Puja was conducted by Prof. Satyanarayana and team.

Office-bearers and members of Orissa Association Mysore, village heads and other devotees participated in the puja ceremony. The ritual began early in the morning with *Vishnusahasranama Parayana* by students of Shree Parashara Gurukulam, Belagola.

Later, *Ashta Bandhana Mahasamprokshana Puja* was performed by a team of priests headed by Prof. Satyanarayana of Maharaja Sanskrit College, Mysuru. The puja ceremony concluded at noon with *Mahamangalarati* and *Prasada Viniyoga.* Danseuse Aditi Gopinath performed Bharatanatyam, which ably reflected *Bhakti rasa* towards the Godhead on the occasion.

The Srinivasa Temple located at Belagola, Srirangapatna taluk in Mandya district, which is believed to be built in the 11th century, is being renovated by Orissa Association Mysore. The Association, under the guidance of its President D.K. Misra, took up the renovation of the nearly thousand-year-old temple in 2006. The temple houses attractive idols of Srinivasa Murthy with Sridevi and Bhudevi, Bhoga Nandishwara and Vedanta Desikar. The temple is being renovated as per the guidelines of the Department of Archaeology, Museum and Heritage.

Vid. Raghavachar of Shree Parashara Gurukulam, Belagola, Association President D.K. Misra, Narayana Hospital Director Dr. Muralidhar, village heads and members of the Association were present at the puja ceremony, which was held in a simple manner amidst the advisory issued by Government following Coronavirus outbreak.

Danseuse Aditi Gopinath performing Bharatanatyam.

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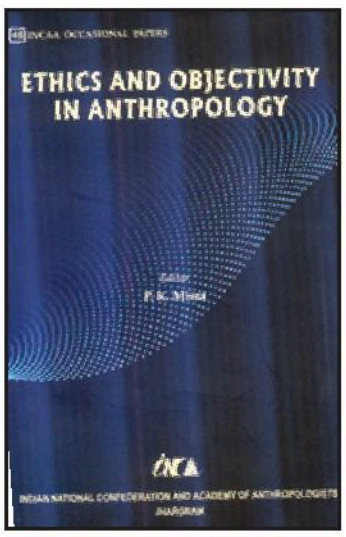
Booktalk

"Absorbing articles by ten Anthropologists"

The volume comprises absorbing articles by India's ten eminent scholars following their presentation during the three-day Round Table of the Annual Indian Anthropology Congress under the auspices of Indian National Confederation and Academy of Anthropologists held in Feb. 2019 at Pune focussed on the theme "Ethics and Objectivity in Anthropology."

Anthropology, being a human field science, requires intensive interaction with people resulting in data and information promoting objectivity in understanding for a rewarding relationship between Anthropologists and people at large. The articles in this volume portray the Anthropologists as communicators of knowledge for the benefit of teachers, students, researchers and also lay people, which otherwise they might have missed.

The editor has observed that the topic *Ethics and Objectivity in Anthropology* has been extensively discussed in forums of scholars in the West while there has been a conspicuous silence on it among the Indian counterparts. Presentation and discussion on the topic at the Round Table mark not only a beginning of action to correct this historical lapse but also lead to development of relevant *code of ethics* for India's Anthropologists, as the editor has hoped. Ancient philosophers of India have set out the code in the form of restraints or proper conduct *(yamas)* and observance or practices *(niyams)*, mostly



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followed in breach by the land's masses nowadays, souring the relationships among the people.

Former Director of Anthropological Survey of India, in his article (pages 130-138) has set out the ground rule to be followed by Anthropologists in their field work in these words: They should observe people in a dispassionate manner, devoid of any emotional attachment or any personal bias in order to be accepted as members of their society.

The suggestion of a former don of the University of Mysore, made in his article (pages 139-151) setting out research priorities for India's Anthropologists to focus on issues concerning education, health, environmental degradation, agriculture, rural-urban migration and industry has come not a day too early.

Expressing observations made during field work by Anthropologists in measurable terms to facilitate quantifying and comparison has been prescribed by seasoned professionals in the circles of India's Anthropologists, according to the editor, adding that the issue of ethics has begun to be discussed in many research organisations. University Grants Commission's initiative of issuing ethical guidelines for researchers, as mentioned by the editor in his article, may augur well for raising professional standards of India's Anthropologists.

All the articles have been supplemented by references, adding to the wealth of literature that avid readers are sure to value and help to kindle interest in Anthropology among others.

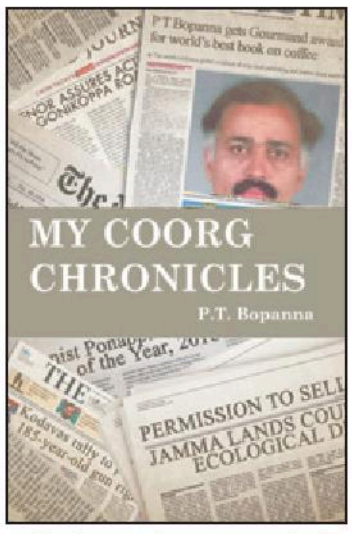
About the Editor: Prof. P.K. Misra (Ph:2372135), an octogenarian, is a long time resident of Mysuru and a familiar figure in the academic and social circles of city. Apart from a 25-year stint in the Anthropological Survey of India, he has been a Visiting Professor in many Universities of India and abroad, including University of Mysore. His extensively published writings, highly rated by peers, are marked by his field work among marginalised sections of country for pursuit of their cause, while he is glued to ethics and objectivity in word and spirit. — **BRS**

'My Coorg Chronicles'

The book *'My Coorg Chronicles'* traces the journalistic journey of **P.T. Bopanna,** his foray into writing books, his activism and importantly his efforts to chronicle various facets of Kodagu district in Karnataka.

Bopanna has been covering and chronicling Kodagu for nearly four decades. Besides reporting on the district's affairs, he has brought out a number of books on this unique region, developed a string of Kodagu-centric websites and produced a documentary video on the land.

His online campaign 'Repair Hunsur-Gonikoppal Road' was a significant victory for the people over Government indifference.



He has written extensively to convince policy-makers on the need to retain the Arms Exemption given to the residents of Kodagu to possess firearms.

One of the most popular initiatives launched by Bopanna is the 'Coorg Person of the Year' title to recognise outstanding achievers and create role models for the community.

The book discusses the religious beliefs of Kodavas (Coorgs) and also spells out of a political road map for Kodagu.

The foreword for the book has been written by P.M. Belliappa, IAS (Retd). The 'afterword' has been written by well-known researchers Boverianda Nanjamma and Chinnappa.

The book has colourful photographs, illustrations and a caricature of Bopanna by cartoonist Ponnappa.

Published by Rolling Stone Publications, the book is priced Rs. 100 per copy.

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Mar.15- The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Botany to **G.L. Basavaraj** for his thesis 'Biotic and Abiotic Medicated Induction of Resistance against Blast Disease Pathogen-Maganaporthe Grisea in Pearl Millet' submitted under the guidance of Dr. K.N. Amruthesh.

K. Paramesha has been awarded Ph.D in Computer Science and Engineering by the Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagaavi, for his thesis 'Sentiment Analysis of Textual Information using Hybrid Approaches.' He worked under the guidance of Dr. K.C. Ravishankar.

K. Gopala Reddy has been awarded Ph.D in Electrical Engineering by the VTU for his thesis 'Development of Intelligent Techniques for Optimal Distributed Generation Planning for Power Quality Improvement in Distribution Network' [Guide: Dr. T. Ananthapadmanabha].

D.C. Vinutha has been awarded Ph.D in Computer and Information Sciences by the VTU for her thesis 'An Optimized Resource Scheduler for Big Data Systems' [Guide: Dr. G.T. Raju].

A. Geethashree has been awarded Ph.D in Electrical and Electronics Sciences by the VTU for her thesis 'Design of algorithm for Emotion Transformation in Kannada Language' [Guide: Dr. D. J. Ravi].

M. Natesh has been awarded Ph.D in Computer Science and Engineering by the VTU for his thesis 'New methodology to find a free space for a blind person using view metrology principles' [Guide: Dr. S. Murali].

J.P. Rishi has been awarded Ph.D in Mechanical Engineering by the VTU for his thesis 'An Explanatory Study on Implementation of Lean Manufacturing Practices in Small and Medium Enterprises' [Guide: Dr. T.R. Srinivas].

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R. Sandeep has been awarded Ph.D in Electronics and Electrical Engineering by the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Guwahati, for his thesis 'Projection-based Perceptual Video Hashing' [Guide: Dr. Prabin K. Bora].

S. Sumathi has been awarded Ph.D in Education by Karnatak University, Dharwad for her thesis 'A Study of Attitude of B.Ed, Trainees towards Gender Discrimination, Gender Sensitivity, Gender Stereotypes and Women Empowerment in Mysore City.' [Guide: Dr. Shataj Begum].

Cricket: Eight wicket win for N.R. Group, Mysuru

Bengaluru, Mar. 15- Good performances by L.R. Chethan (47), Harshith (43 n.o.) with the willow and by R. Madhusudhan (4/22) and G.L. Yashas (3/22) with the ball, helped N.R. Group, Mysuru, to register a facile eight-wicket win over Prime Focus Technologies in the KSCA, Group II, 1st Division League match played at Bengaluru recently.

Batting first, prime focus were bowled out for 148 in 29.5 overs. B.M. Shreyas (58) and Paranitha Bharadwaj (29) were the scorers. G.L. Yashas (3/22) and R. Madhusudhan (4/22) impressed with the ball for N.R. Group.

In reply, N.R. Group scored 151/2 in 19.2 overs and registered a facile eight-wicket win. L.R. Chethan (47), Harshith (43 n.o.) and Sai Shiv Narayan (27 n.o.) were the scorers for N.R. Group.

SCORES: Prime Focus Technologies: 148 in 29.5 overs (B.M. Shreyas 58, Paranitha Bharadwaj 29, G.L. Yashas 3/22, R. Madhusudhan 4/22, Sai Shiv Narayan 2/21) lost to **N.R. Group, Mysuru:** 151/2 in 19.2 overs (L.R. Chethan 47, Harshith 43 n.o., Sai Shiv Narayan 27 n.o.).

MDFA 'C' Division Football League postponed

Mysuru, Mar. 15- The Mysore District Football Association (MDFA) has decided to postpone the ongoing MDFA 'C' Division Football League 2019-20 for the Chirag Trophy, in view of the COVID-19.

The postponed matches will be played according to the new dates which will be announced in due course, says a press release from the MDFA Secretary.

Bengal Open Golf: Udayan Mane, Aadil Bedi in joint lead

Kolkata, Mar. 15- Pune-based Udayan Mane continued to be on course to win a record fourth straight title on the TATA Steel PGTI as he surged ahead as the joint leader along with teenager Aadil Bedi of Chandigarh after round three of the Bengal Open Golf Championship 2020 being played at Tollygunge Club here.

PGTI Order of Merit leader Mane (67-63-67) and Bedi (65-65-67) were tied for the lead at a total of 13-under-197. Both shot scores of three-under-67 at the Rs. 30 lakh event yesterday.

Veteran Mukesh Kumar of Mhow, who too fired a 67 on day three, lurks in third place at 12-under-198. Delhi's Kapil Kumar delivered the day's best score of 65 to be placed tied 19th at five-under-205. Mysuru lad I.L. Aalaap (JWGC) with a three-day aggregate score of 5-over 215 (74+65+76) is placed 53rd in the ranking.

Talented Para TT player Srinivas Ramakrishna

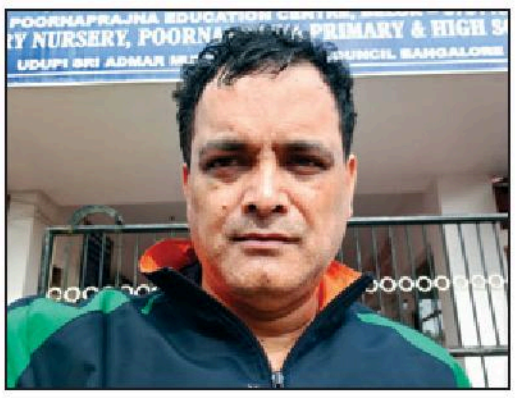

Table Tennis is a very popular sport in the world sporting scene. The game helps the individual to improve his or her reflexes and hand and eye co-ordination. Mysuru has a rich history of producing talented Table Tennis players who have gone on to represent the country and the State on various occasions. One such talented Para Table Tennis player is **Srinivas Ramakrishna,** who is working as a Chief Reservation Supervisor at South Western Railways (SWR), Mysuru. He has won several medals at National and International-level Tournaments. Recently, Srinivas took part in the State Para Games 2019 held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city and won Gold Medal in the Men's Singles event. He is our *'Star This Week.'*

THIS Week

Srinivas has a string of good performances both in the National and International level. He had represented India in the Asian Regional Championship held at Beijing, China, in 2013 and secured fourth place in the team event representing the country. Srinivas represented India in the International Para TT Championship at Bangkok, Thailand, in 2011 and in Italy in 2010. He also represented the country in the Asia-Oceania TT Championship held at Jordan in 2009 and gained valuable exposure and experience.

Srinivas also got the 'General Manager Award' instituted by SWR for outstanding achievement in 2011-12. In the National-level, Srinivas won Bronze Medal in the Para Open National Championship in March 2018 held at Indore, MP, in the Men's Singles event. Srinivas has been regularly taking part in the National Championships for Para Table Tennis and had won Silver Medal in the Senior Paralympic TT Championship in Bengaluru in 2016.

He also won a Silver Medal in the 2012, 2011 Championships held at Bengaluru. In 2009, Srinivas won Gold Medal in Nationals held in Bengaluru and won Silver Medal in 2004.

He has also attended Para National TT Camp at SAI, Gandhinagar, in 2016. He intends to work hard in the days to come and represent India and win medals in the International level.

Coronavirus scare

BCCI suspends all domestic games including Irani Cup

New, Delhi, Mar. 15- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) yesterday announced a list of domestic matches and tournaments that have been put on hold due to the outbreak of the coronavirus.

"In view of the ongoing Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, all matches of Irani Cup, Senior Women One-Day Knockout, Vizzy Trophy, Senior Women One-Day Challenger, Women Under 19 One-Day Knockout, Women's Under 19 T20 League, Super League and Knockout, Women Under 19 T20 Challenger Trophy, Women Under 23 Knockout, Women's Under 23 One-Day Challenger have been put on hold till further notice," the Board said in the statement.

The pandemic outbreak has brought the sporting calendar in the country to a virtual standstill.

In cricket, the ODI series between India and South Africa, which was set to finish on Mar.18, was called off while the upcoming season of the Indian Premier League (IPL) was postponed to Apr.15.

The matches are all expected to be played in empty stadiums. Spectators were also not allowed for the final day of the Ranji Trophy final between Bengal and Saurashtra.

'If IPL happens, it will be a shortened tourney'

New Delhi, Mar. 15- BCCI President Sourav Ganguly yesterday made it clear that the 13th edition of IPL will be a truncated one if the COVID-19 pandemic subsides but could not commit on the number of matches under the current circumstances.

Sourav Ganguly

The BCCI on Friday suspended the IPL from Mar.29 to Apr.15 due to Government-imposed travel restrictions and refusal of three States to host any matches owing to the pandemic that has so far claimed more than 5,000 lives and infected close to 1,50,000 people globally.

The extraordinary situation prompted the Board's top officials to meet the eight franchise owners yesterday and explore various options, including organising a curtailed tournament.

Asked if the cash-rich event could be a curtailed one, Ganguly said, "It will happen, because if it is Apr.15, then, in any case 15 days are gone, it has to be truncated. How truncated, how many games, I can't say at the moment."

SPORTS EVENTS

CRICKET

KSCA Mysuru Zone Inter-Collegiate Knock-Out Tournament 2019-20

17.3.2020	Semi-finals at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds
19.3.2020	Final at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds

KSCA Mysuru Zone T-20 Tournament 2019-20

From 17.3.2020 to 27.3.2020	at JSS-SJCE Grounds and SDNR Wadiyar Grounds

KSCA Mysuru Zonal League 2019-20

21.3.20 & 22.3.20	at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds, SJCE Grounds, Maharaja's Grounds and Gangothri Grounds, Mysuru; PET Grounds, Mandya

SPORTS QUIZ

1. What does the term NRAI stands for ?
2. The term 'Riposte' associated with which sport?
3. The 'Irani Trophy' is associated with which sport?
4. Which nation won the T20 Women's World Cup?
5. Which State won the Ranji Trophy title for the year 2019-2020?

1. National Rifle Association of India 2. Fencing
3. Cricket 4. Australia 5. Saurashtra

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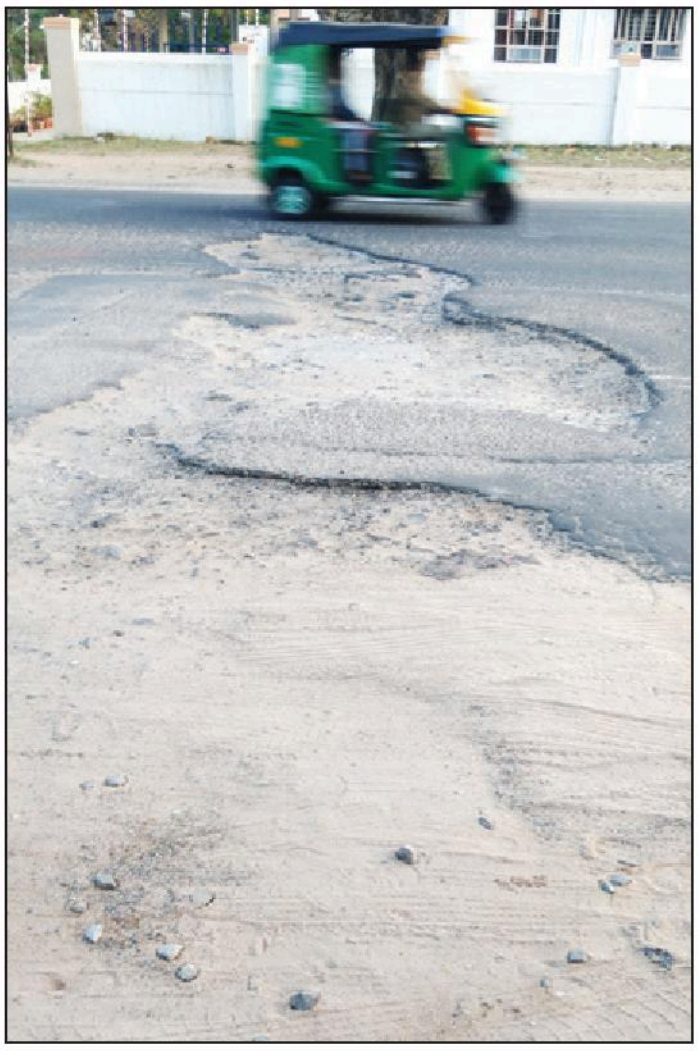
The pathetic condition of Male Mahadeshwara Road



The stretch of the Male Mahadeshwara Road (Bannur Road), opposite KMF Milk Dairy is in a pathetic condition with huge potholes making it difficult for motorists to ply on the road. This is the road that leads to various destinations like Talakad, T. Narasipur, Kollegal, Bannur and other places and the potholes have made the purpose of this ever-busy road a failure. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the road repaired at the earliest.

Dry leaves being set on fire at Ramakrishnanagar

Dry leaves of trees on the sidewalk at Ramakrishnanagar is being set of fire regularly causing a lot of inconvenience to the residents. Residents say that earlier the dry leaves were collected and then set on fire in an open field but nowadays, the dry leaves are being set on fire in front of houses. Along with dry leaves, plastic and rubber wastes are also being set on fire and the residents are being forced to inhale the toxic smoke emanating from the burning of wastes resulting in children and the elderly suffering from respiratory problems. Authorities concerned are urged to prevent burning of dry leaves along with other wastes for the benefit of all.

'Do not to ignore speech and hearing impairment in children'

AIISH Director Dr. Pushpavathi warns parents

Mysuru, Mar. 15 (RKB&DM)- All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi has cautioned parents against ignoring any speech and hearing impairment in their wards. She was speaking at 'Sakshama' District Convention organised at 'Madhavakrupa' on JLB Road here on Friday.

Noting that many parents do not bother to check whether their new-born babies can hear, Dr.Pushpavathi said that all new-borns must be checked for their hearing ability. Emphasising on the need for carrying out regular examinations for speech and hearing abilities among children, she bemoaned the carelessness of some parents who tend to ignore signs of speech and hearing impairments of their wards.

Underlining the need for early detection of speech and hearing impairments, she warned that parents have to suffer their entire life if they failed in their responsibility.

Pointing out that AIISH has set up Speech and Hearing treatment facility at 17 hospitals in city, she said that all infants should be regularly examined for hearing abilities until they are three month old.

She called for holding awareness programmes in schools and colleges on the importance of examining children for speech and hearing impairments.

Earlier, 'Sakshama' National Secretary Kamalakanth Pandey inaugurated the programme. District President Dr. Chandrashekar presided. Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat, GSS Foundation Founder Srihari, District Specially abled Welfare Officer Mamatha and others were present.

CFTRI honours environmentalist Saalumarada Thimmakka

"Nature blesses everyone who takes care of it"

Mysuru, Mar. 15- The Women's Association of CSIR-CFTRI, as part of International Women's Day celebrations, honoured centenarian environmentalist and *Padma Shri* awardee Saalumarada Thimmakka at a programme organised at the CFTRI premises in city recently.

The event was celebrated as a tribute to the conservationist with the staff and the chief guest Thimmakka planting saplings.

Later speaking at the function, Saalumarada Thimmakka recalled the travails that she had to face during her epic conservation efforts. "Plant trees and your family will also flourish like the trees," she said and added that nature blesses everyone who takes care of it.

Dr. KSMS Raghavarao, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, who presided over the function, paid tributes to the women, especially in their roles as mothers and daughters.

Reciting a poem in Telugu, he said: "the greatness of womanhood and the importance of a woman is understood only in a family setting."

Earlier, Dr. Ushadevi, Secretary, CFTRI Women's Association (CWA), spoke about the life and achievements of Saalumarada Thimmakka.

A cheque for Rs.15,000 from CSIR-CFTRI was handed over to her. Another bounty of Rs.50,000 collected by the staff and students was also given to Thimmakka by Dr. Swaroopa Rani, President, CWA, towards environmental conservation.

Jayalakshmi proposed a vote of thanks. Umesh, adopted son of Salumarada Thimmakka and other members of CWA were present at the event.

Children perform at Annual Day

Mysuru, Mar. 15- The Annual School Day of **UNIVERSAL KIDS PRE-SCHOOL** was held at St. Philomena's College auditorium recently. Children from both Shakti Nagar and Subhash Nagar branches presented dance items and rhymes. The programme was compered by Ameena. Chief guests Dr. Reshma Usman and Mohammed Muzaffer gave away the prizes to the winners of various events — 50 mts running, fancy dress, story telling and long jump. Alhaj K.A. Usman was the guest of honour.

LITTLE ELLY, RAMAKRISHNANAGAR - HARIVIDYALAYA: ***The 7th Annual Day of Little Elly was held in city recently with the theme 'Unity in Diversity.' Kids presented different forms of dances of States of India. MD of Learning Edge Vital Bhandary and Centre Head Shilpa Akshaya were present.***

GRACE OPEN SCHOOL AND TRAINING CENTRE, BOGADI: The School Annual Day was celebrated at its premises recently. Br. Sanil Tharayil, Principal of St. Francis School, Jettihundi, was the chief guest. Adv. A. Kantharaj and Anuradha Nandakumar from Inner Wheel were the guests of honour during the programme.

Swapna Joseph, Principal of Grace School, presided over the event.

Trustees Shibu Joseph, May Rose Steele and B.S. Jayaram were present.

Children presented variety of programmes that helped them to overcome many of their difficulties.

HELLO KIDS, VIJAYANAGAR: ***The 5th Annual Day of Hello Kids was held at the District Kannada Sahitya Bhavan in Vijayanagar recently. Mathematics lecturer Suresh was the chief guest. Children and parents enjoyed a lot with dance and songs. Prizes were distributed to the winners of various activities.***

WORD OF THE DAY

Retronym

Pronunciation: RET-roh-nim
Meaning: A term (such as analog watch, film camera, or snail mail) that is newly created and adopted to distinguish the original or older version, form, or example of something (such as a product) from other, more recent versions, forms, or examples.
Origin & Example: Remember way back when cameras used film? Back then, such devices were simply called cameras; they weren't specifically called film cameras until they needed to be distinguished from the digital cameras that came later. Similarly, the term desktop computer wasn't often used until laptops became prevalent. A lot of our common retronyms have come about due to technological advances: acoustic guitar emerged to contrast with electric guitar, and brick-and-mortar store to distinguish traditional stores from online retailers. Retronym was coined by Frank Mankiewicz, an American journalist and former president of National Public Radio, and was first seen in print in 1980.

THE ODD WORD

Ragmatical

Wild, ill-behaved.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Rack your brain

Meaning: To strain mentally to recall or to understand something.
Origin: The rack was a medieval torture device. The crude but, one presumes, effective racks often tore the victim's limbs from their bodies. It isn't surprising that 'rack' was adopted as a verb meaning to cause pain and anguish. Shakespeare was one of many authors who used this; for example, from Twelfth Night, 1602:
"How haue the houres rack'd, and tortur'd me, Since I haue lost thee?"
The term was called on whenever something or someone was under particular stress and all manner of things were said to be 'racked.
Example: She racked her brains but could not remember.

QUOTE BOX

Rain, rain, and sun! a rainbow in the sky! **—Lord Alfred Tennyson**

RIDDLE THIS

What is in middle of Paris, but not in middle of London?

Answer: The letter 'R'

SUDOKU

	3		8			4	2	
	7		3					5
				9				8
						1		
6		9	5		4	2		3
		8						
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	5	6			8		4	

Answer to previous puzzle

9	8	2	6	5	7	1	4	3
7	3	1	9	8	4	5	6	2
4	6	5	3	2	1	9	7	8
5	1	3	2	7	9	4	8	6
2	9	4	5	6	8	7	3	1
6	7	8	4	1	3	2	5	9
3	4	7	1	9	6	8	2	5
8	5	9	7	3	2	6	1	4
1	2	6	8	4	5	3	9	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Stopper or electric fixture
5 Scanning Tunnelling Microscope, abbr.
8 Of a dull colour
12 Rajput king ___ Pratap
13 Irish Republican Army, acronym
14 "Oran" anagram to get a girl's name?
15 K Asif's magnum opus Mughal-e-___
16 ___ ___ with : escapes punishment for a crime? (4,4)
18 The peak of a cap
19 Grain
20 Satellite Landing Sys.
21 Sounds of satisfaction
23 Expected to arrive
25 Manage but not very successfully? (3,2)
27 Not having any employment, unemployed
31 Figure-skating jump
32 Ingot of iron
33 Eye part
34 Mountain caller
36 Decree
37 Uncooked, not ripe
38 Manner or bearing
39 Lummox
42 Got one's goat
44 TV network
47 Small floating organisms
49 Obscene or vulgar
50 One never wants to commit one (1,3)
51 A curly variety of lettuce
52 Unique or singular person
53 Traditional tales
54 High Power Amplifier
55 Shivering fit

DOWN

1 Kasme Vade Pyar Wafa Sub..... singer on screen
2 Take one's ease
3 Without a stop; not diminished
4 A person's leg
5 Breathes deeply
6 Oak for example
7 Bullfighter
8 Some forensic evidence
9 Disagreements or fights
10 Asian sea
11 Water bodies?
17 Cigarette end
19 Just a question of motive?
22 Of superior aptitudes
24 Escape by artifice
25 Merry or happy
26 Outer as a prefix ?
27 Sound discordantly
28 Expressing, manifesting or displaying
29 Inverse to "cos" in trigonometry?
30 Day after Fri.
32 Charm or captivate
35 Well known bird
36 Muslim festival
38 High-IQ society
39 Gem from White Cliffs
40 As well as
41 A market or trade gathering
43 Acrobatic manoeuvre
45 The French for 'blue'
46 Old and withered for the poet
48 Vane dir.
49 Voice of America

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

L	A	I	R	■	N	I	P	■	S	S	E	S
A	M	R	E	■	E	R	A	■	L	O	B	E
P	A	S	S	A	W	A	Y	■	A	C	R	E
■	■	■	E	S	T	■	M	I	N	I	O	N
B	L	A	N	K	■	T	E	S	T	A	■	■
E	A	S	T	■	R	A	N	I	■	L	E	H
R	M	S	■	S	E	C	T	S	■	I	P	O
N	E	O	■	U	F	O	S	■	A	S	H	A
■	■	C	E	R	E	S	■	S	I	T	A	R
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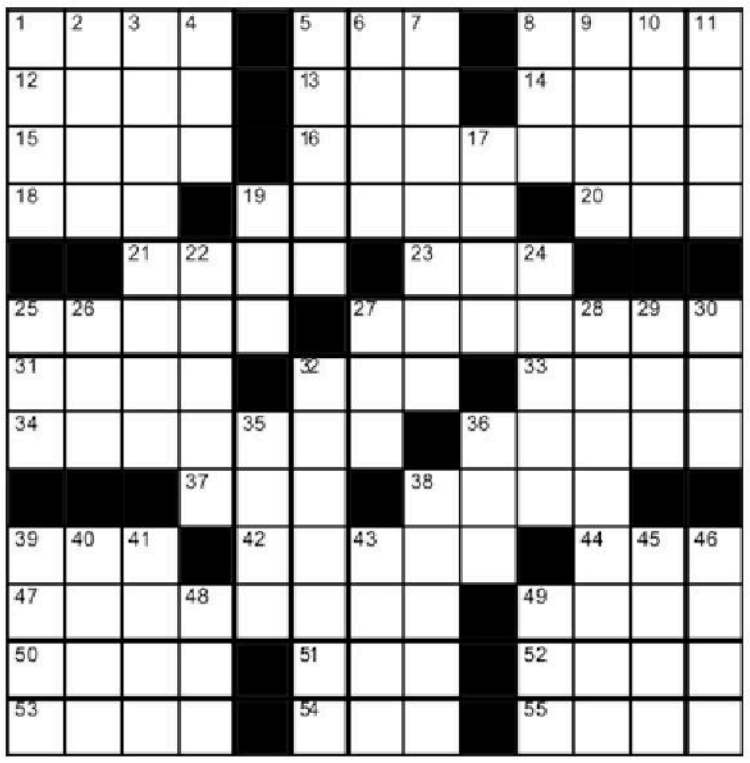

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

YTSXF, OTDA VKXTAF, CTOO KUBAS UNOO TSBK N WTYWOAX,

TOO-EKSXTBTKSAX FBNBA UHKY YAHA APEAFF KU EKYUKHB.

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS L

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A mind too active is no mind at all.

Felicitation marks Women's Day

Mysuru, Mar. 15- JCI Mysore Success World Jacyeerette Women's Wing and the Local Organisation Members (LOM members) celebrated International Women's Day "Sammilana Saptaha" at the premises of Regional Institute of Education (RIE) in city recently.

The function was inaugurated by LOM President Rajeev and Team in the presence of Dr. Venkatesh Murthy, Head of Extension Education Department, RIE.

JCI Zone XIV Zone Co-ordinator Khushi Gugliya was honoured on the occasion.

Additional Superintendent of Police P.V. Sneha, who was the guest of honour, called upon the girl students to balance between men and women in all walks of life and stressed the importance of maintaining harmony in the society by gender sensitisation.

Madhu Sudhir, International Wellness Trainer, spoke on bridging the gap between the energies of men and women in different aspects of life.

Past Zone officer of Zone XIV and Zone trainer Kavitha M. Prakash facilitated a session on Social behaviour in Public Places. The members of JCI Mysore Success World, Chairperson Nandini, Vice-President-Training Nikitha, Junior JC Chairperson Kavya, LOM Treasurer Vinutha, Joint Secretary Sowmya, Vice-President Growth and Development Siddaraju, Members R. Kishore, Priyanka, Krithica and Pramila were present apart from students of RIE.

Women's Day was celebrated by Beyond Taalas and MiD Studios in association with Forum Centre City in Mysuru recently by felicitating achievers. The awardees are** (sitting from left) **Pooja Ravindra - Social Entrepreneur; Shashikala Ashok - Tourism and Culture; Saroja Hegde - Theatre; Masuma Vagh - Leadership and Motivation; Nandini Murthy - Nutrition and Wellness; Dr. Sheela Sridhar - Dance; Uma Devi - Literature; Dr. Aisha Sheriff - Education; Priyadarshini - Civil Services and Dr. Sunitha Chandrakumar - Music. Picture right shows** (from left) **Pooja Joshi - Beyond Taalas; Shubha Achaiah - Principal, NPS; Dhanashekaran - Head, Forum Mall; Shwetha Srivatsav - Actress and Sridevi Kulenur - MiD Studios at the inauguration.

Hair donation drive for a cause

Hair for Hope - Mysore Amity Ladies Circle-108 (MALC-108) in association with Kimaya Beauty Studio and Spa conducted a Hair Donation Drive for cancer patients in need of wigs. Twenty donors came forward to generously donate 12 inches of their hair which will be sent to Cope with Cancer - Madat Trust, Mumbai, for making wigs. Seen in the picture are** (standing from left) **Suchita, Partner in Kimaya; Aparna, MALC-108; Rupal, Chairperson (2019-2020), MALC-108; Sahana, MALC-108; Smriti, Partner in Kimaya; Shweta, MALC-108 along with the donors.

To Our Readers

CORONAVIRUS SCARE: In the wake of the State Government's order for closure of malls, theatres, multiplexes, clubs, commercial establishments and also to not hold any public programmes which involves gathering of large number of people, the STAR MOVIE GUIDE and EVENTS column will not be published until further orders. —**Ed**

Celebrate Ugadi with Brand Factory's Once A Year - Buy 2 Get 3 Offer

Mysuru, Mar. 15- Brand Factory, India's leading discount chain from Future Group, has launched the mega offer of the year — 'Once A Year- Buy 2 Get 3 Offer.' This magical offer which started from Mar. 12 ends on Mar. 22. Staying true to its offer name, Buy 2 Get 3 is a once in a year chance for all fashion lovers to choose from over 200 original fashion brands. The unbelievable offer is applicable across fashion wear for men, women and kids, backpacks, luggage, sunglasses, sports shoes, formal shoes, accessories and much more.

Once A Year - Buy 2 Get 3 will be almost a 11-day fiesta, which gives all shoppers an opportunity to save and shop more during this season. Buy 2 Get 3 offer will be held at your nearest Brand Factory and is applicable on all the 200-plus original brands available at the store. Customers can choose from popular fashion brands like Vero Moda to Iktara, Indigo Nation to Louis Philippe, Adidas to Puma, VIP to Skybags and the list is endless.

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The Mada ceremony has been arranged at our residence at **Kibbeil, Devanur, Balele Village on Monday, 16th March 2020 at 11.00 am.** Kindly treat this as a personal invitation to attend the ceremony and pray for the departed soul.

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